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MORE THAN 300 COUNTIES NOW EMBARGOED UNTIL: 12:01 A.M.
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ANNOUNCER:

NEARLY ONE IN EVERY TEN COUNTIES IS NOW MORE THAN 50 PERCENT MINORITY, ACCORDING TO THE CENSUS BUREAU. EIGHT MORE COUNTIES BECAME MAJORITY-MINORITY IN 2006, PUSHING THE NATION'S TOTAL TO 303. TWO OF THE MORE NOTABLE COUNTIES TO ACHIEVE THIS MILESTONE WERE COLORADO'S DENVER AND LOUISIANA'S EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH. LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAD THE HIGHEST MINORITY POPULATION, AT 7-MILLION. MORE THAN SEVEN OUT OF EVERY 10 RESIDENTS THERE IS A MINORITY. HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS, HOME OF HOUSTON, GAINED MORE THAN 120-THOUSAND MINORITY RESIDENTS SINCE 2005. THAT WAS THE HIGHEST TOTAL IN THE COUNTRY. HARRIS COUNTY NOW HAS A POPULATION THAT IS NEARLY TWO-THIRDS MINORITY. STARR COUNTY, TEXAS, HAD A POPULATION THAT WAS NEARLY 100 PERCENT MINORITY AND LED THE U-S. FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT W-W-W-DOT-CENSUS-DOT-GOV.

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